

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

Jesse Cowans,	:	
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Petitioner	:	Case No. C-1-00-618
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v.	:	Judge Sargus
	:	
Margaret Bagley, Warden,	:	Magistrate Judge Abel
	:	
Respondent	:	

ORDER

On December 15, 2003, counsel for petitioner and respondent participated in a telephone status conference with the Magistrate Judge. A return of writ and traverse have been filed. The petition is awaiting decision on the merits.

Petitioner's counsel indicated that Cowans will likely file a *Murnahan* appeal in the Supreme Court of Ohio within the next 30 days. When he does, petitioner will file a motion to stay in this Court.

s/Mark R. Abel
United States Magistrate Judge